

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

JORGENSEN, Rolf Jess

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For: A METHOD OF PREVENTING PARTURIENT HYPOCALCEMIA IN ANIMALS...

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the final rejection mailed October 23, 2002, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 3, 4, 8, 9, 16, 17, 21, 23, 33 and 34. Please rewrite claim 14 to read as follows:

(thrice amended). A composition for preventing parturient hypocalcemia in an animal, comprising, in a suitable form for peroral administration, At least one calcium-binding compound which reduces the absorption of calcium from the drinking water and/or from the ration of said animal, said compound being selected from the group consisting of oxalic acid, sodium oxalate, phytic akid, a phytate, a clay mineral, ethylenediaminetetraacetiarphi acid (EDTA) and its sodium salts Na_2 EDTA and Na_4 EDTA trisodium nitrilotriacetate monohydrate, trisodium nit filoacetate, pentasodium diethylenetriaminepentacetate, trisodium N-hydroxyethylethylenediaminetriacetate, citric acid, citrate. polyphosphate, a tr/pipolyphosphate, an orthophosphate and a cellulose phosphate/ wherein the compound is encapsulated by a

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